Atty Dkt. No.: LIFE-012DIV USSN: Not Yet Assigned

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 were canceled without prejudice to their later pursuit in a continuing application. Claims 21-30 are pending after entry of the amendments set forth herein. No new matter is added by these amendments and their entry and examination is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment of fees associated with this communication, including any necessary fees for extensions of time, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0815, order number LIFE0-012DIV.

Respectfully submitted, BOZICEVIC, FIELD & FRANCIS LLP

By: _

Frank P. Becking

Registration No. 42,309

BOZICEVIC, FIELD & FRANCIS LLP 200 Middlefield Road, Suite 200 Menlo Park, CA 94025 Telephone: (650) 327-3400

Facsimile: (650) 327-3231

F:\DOCUMENT\life\012\Preliminary Amendment 04-27-01.doc